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| In re Application of: Amitava Guha and William D. Nielsen, Jr. |   | )           | Examiner: H. Wilkins, III  Art Unit: 1742 |
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## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Asst. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of the statutory period for response to the Office Action mailed March 4, 2002. Enclosed is a check for \$110.00 to cover the one month extension of time to respond. Please charge any fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 03-0172. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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